DODGE COUNTY UW EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING August 20, 2013

The Dodge County UW-Extension Education Committee met on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in the UW-Extension conference room 1C at the Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, WI.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chairman Behl at 8:30 a.m. with the following members present: Allen Behl, Gerald Adelmeyer, Howard Kriewald, Darrel Pollesch and Larry Bischoff

Also present: Jeff Hoffman, Department Head and Community Development Educator; Pattie Carroll, Family Living Educator; Bonnie Borden, Dairy & Livestock Youth Educator, Sally Schoenike, 4-H & Youth Development Educator, Mike Stanek, Agriculture Educator, James Mielke, County Administrator, Russell Kotte, Dodge County Board Chairman and Lucas VanEgtern, Dairy/Livestock Summer Intern.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Kriewald, seconded by Pollesch to approve minutes for July 16, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:

Allen Behl reported on the Clean Sweep in Watertown meeting that he attended on August 6, 2013 along with Jeff Hoffman & Russell Kotte. Dodge County does a clean sweep every two years; Jefferson County has two clean sweeps each year (one in the southern part of the county and one in the northern part of the county) which is open to the Dodge County residents. The Watertown clean sweep is asking Dodge County townships and villages to help pay for it. It is by appointment only and they are asking for a \$10 administrative fee (for paperwork) plus the cost of the materials, which may average \$110-\$120. The townships and villages would then bill the residents using the Resident Cards they would hand out at the town halls. This clean sweep is for household and agriculture waste only. The city of Watertown already has an electronic, appliance and mattress drop-off that Dodge County residents can use at no charge.

Allen had a volunteer at the Dodge County fair make a request to improve the Youth Building entrance(s). Right now the entrances are very difficult for handicap/motorized scooters to access entrance. Sally also added that the awnings need to be fixed. Russell Kottke & Jim Mielke said the County will have to take care of these concerns.

New DOT hearings on "Size Weight Restrictions of Farm Equipment". Mike Stanek stated that there has been a posting made on the Dodge County UW-Extension's website and facebook pages. Jeff Hoffman requested Mike Stanek to work with Brian with the Highway Department completing a general press release to the news media.

APPROVAL OF PER DIEMS: Motion by Kriewald, seconded by Bischoff to approve the regular meeting per diems. Also approved was Allen Behl's Watertown Clean Sweep meeting that was held on August 6, 2013 (23 miles).

REVIEW OF BILLS Review of the UW-Extension revenues and expenses.

DEPARTMENT BUSINESS:

a. Jeff Hoffman gave budget 6 month summary and went through the 6801 spreadsheets.

- 1. Jim Mielke pointed out that he is considering moving the Youth Building (BU 6819) rental revenue/expenses from the UW-Extension to Russ Freber/Maintenance Department. Currently it is (roughly) \$200 a day to rent the building and they need to consider possibly raising the rent of the building to help cover the cost of maintenance etc., so it's not a loss every year. I.E. Sprint Car races using the bathrooms and that money goes to the Fair Association and not the UW-Extension. Jim Mielke, Russ Kottke and Sally Schoenike will meet with the Fair Association in regards to this issue. Sally mentioned when considering the above to make sure that the insurance of the building is covered by the rental of the building as it has been in the past.
- b. Consideration of Professional Development of Committee Members Jeff Hoffman asked if the Committee if they had any suggestions on what they needed or wanted to see in Professional Development opportunities during the WACEC conference. One suggestion was to have a topic at a convention on how to go about refilling current open county positions. Defining the difference between a faculty position vs. an academic staff position. What does it mean to you and us? Any more questions that anyone can come up with should be directed to Jeff Hoffman.
- c. Livestock/Dairy Summer Intern Report Lucas VanEgtern gave a brief overview on what he has done over the summer with developing programs for Bonnie, different summer school programs he worked on, and gave a summary of this Netherlands trip he took.
- d. All members received Mike Stanek's resignation letter. His last day is Friday, October 4, 2013. Motion to accept the resignation of Mike Stanek as our AG Agent made by Adelmeyer, seconded by Bischoff.
- e. Does there need to be a visioning session for consideration for the posting of general AG position There are two positions to consider The AG position along with the Dairy Livestock Position. The Dairy Livestock position is currently still in the budget for 2013/2014. Jim Mielke requested Jeff Hoffman to get a written commitment from the UW in Madison that the Dairy Livestock position will be filled by the time budgets are due this year. In regards to the AG position; Mike Stanek will be putting together notes on what he has handled for the two different positions above and will give to Jeff Hoffman. Jeff Hoffman will strategize with Mike Stanek on how to handle items at hand when the position is in transition of hiring someone and where we will need to direct calls/individuals to. Committee decided no visioning session is needed.
 - Motion by Pollesch, seconded by Bischoff to approve having the Dodge County AG position with the same direction as it has been in the past be posted.
- f. Consideration of holding the September UWEX Education Committee Meeting at Jerry Adelmeyer's farm yes @ 8:30a.m. and Jerry will provide the food/refreshments for the meeting. Motion by Kriewald, seconded by Bischoff to hold the next meeting at Jerry Adelmeyer's farm on September 17, 2013 at 8:30a.m.

EDUCATORS' REPORTS:

<u>Hoffman:</u> gave a report on the completion of his work with the City of Fox Lake and an update on the strategic planning initiative he is facilitating with the Dodge County Public Health Department. He reported that he is working on the UW-Extension budget and has a clean sweep grant coming up.

<u>Borden:</u> gave a summary of fair events which includded that good prices made for a near record auction, a few animal management issues, and that the new sale ring is in place in the Farm Progress Arena. Borden will be pursuing a connection made at the fair with the new principal from the Fox Lake SAGES

school for a once a month programming opportunity for outreach. August 20-22 are the three carcass shows at Country Meat Cutters, Cedar Road Meats, and Brandon Meats. Borden expressed appreciation for the help given by Lucas VanEgtern as the summer dairy/livestock intern.

Stanek: gave a summary of summer educational programs such as the twighlight forage meeting in Eden, the twighlight corn growers meeting near Fond Du Lac, the Dodge county forage council meetings and activities. Mike mentioned the planning that is occurring for the spring 2014 Master Gardeners level 1 training program. Mike has also been meeting with the Moraine Park Tech college to assist them with developing ag education technical college courses and programs. Many horitculture calls recently on issues such as wild cucumber and emerald ash borer infestations.

<u>Carroll:</u> informed the committee that she would be attending an informational meeting on the Affordable Care Act. UW Extension is an informational resource for many residents of Dodge County and UW Extension Family Living Programs is being proactive in learning how to best answer questions and that will arise as implementation begins.

Schoenike: reviewed summer programs including 4-H Summer Camp, Day Camps, special programs with Green Valley and Beaver Dam Park and Rec, project-related summer activites, the County Fair and others. General Leader Training was held to help volunteers prepare for the end of this 4-H year and the beginning of the next 4-H year. Financial reviews of all the 4-H Club were conducted by a committee of volunteers.

COMMUNICATION: None

NEXT MEETING DATE: September 17, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. at Jerry Adelmeyer's Farm located at W421 West Bend Road, Theresa, Wisconsin.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before this committee, it was motioned by Bischoff and seconded by Kriewald to adjourn at 10:26 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald Adelmeyer Secretary

Allen Behl, Chairman